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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 29, 2002 COMMUNICATION FROM THE EXAMINER INCLUDING A NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES AND PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to a July 29, Communication from the Examiner including a Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the July 29, 2002 Communication is attached hereto as Exhibit A. A response to the July 29, 2002 Communication was due August 29, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a fivemonth extension of time from August 29, 2002 to January 29, 2003. The fee for a five-month extension of time for a small entity is NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$985.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed herewith. Therefore, a response to the July 29,